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Senate Republicans focus on job growth and opportunities

LANSING – Senate Republicans are looking for ways to bolster Michigan’s economy through job creation and investment in local businesses, said Sen. Alan Sanborn, R-Richmond Township.

“Revitalizing Michigan’s economy starts with providing quality job opportunities for workers across the state,” Sanborn said. “Small businesses are helping meet this need by hiring our workers and utilizing our resources. I want to ensure that they have every reason to succeed in the state’s working environment, and that means lowering the tax burden so that small businesses are competitive with businesses across the country.”

Senate Republicans introduced the JOBS Action Plan to focus on creating new jobs, saving existing jobs and promoting a more competitive business climate in Michigan.

The plan includes the following components:

- Providing an equipment tax credit to promote development of high-speed Internet infrastructure;
- Eliminating red-tape nightmares by removing burdensome regulations for businesses;
- Preventing overly stringent business standards from impeding economic development and job creation; and
- Passing a Private Labs Package to create a state-laboratory accreditation program establishing uniform performance standards and helping expand the use of private labs by the state.

Sanborn also sponsored legislation already signed into law to reauthorize the Michigan Economic Growth Authority, the state’s main tax-incentive granting agency.

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